IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application   )
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Applicant: Chung-Kuan Cheng   )
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Serial No.:   10/526,523   )
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Conf. No.:   5310   )
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Filed: March 1, 2005   )
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For: INTERCONNECTION   )
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Art Unit: 2818   )
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Examiner: Nguyen, Thinh T.   )

REQUEST FOR A REFUND TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 07-2069

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Sir:

Attorneys' Deposit Account No. 07-2069 was charged $1,110.00 on October 27, 2008 under fee code 1253 for a three-month extension. (See attached Deposit Account Statement). This charge is erroneous.

A final Office Action was mailed on April 18, 2008. In response, Applicants filed a reply within two months of the mailing date of the final action, on June 16, 2008 (see the Certificate of First Class Mailing on Amendment C certifying a mailing date of June 16, 2008; copy attached). On October 14, 2008, Applicants still had not

received an Advisory Action or any other reply from the Examiner. Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on that date. Though a general authorization was made to charge any necessary fees, the Office erroneously charged Attorneys' Deposit Account for a three-month extension of time to file the Notice of Appeal.

Under MPEP 706.07(f), if a reply is filed within two months of the date of a final Office Action, the shortened statutory period will expire at three months from the date of the final rejection or on the date the Advisory Action is mailed, whichever is later. Because Applicants filed a reply within two months of the date of the April 18 final Office Action, and because the Examiner had not sent an Advisory Action as of October 14, 2008, when Applicants filed the Notice of Appeal, the shortened statutory period had not expired. Therefore, the Office should not have charged Attorneys' Deposit Account for an extension of time.

As the fee for a three-month extension was erroneous, Applicants request a refund in the **total amount of $1,110.00,** which reflects the aforementioned erroneous charge. We request that $1,110.00 be credited to Deposit Account No. 07-2069.

Should there be any questions regarding this Request for a Refund, please contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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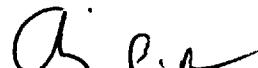
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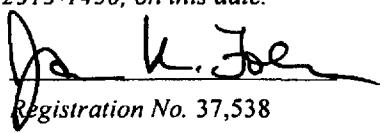
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AMENDMENT C

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 18, 2008, which has been made

final, please amend the above-identified application as follows: